

REMARKS

Claims 1-10 are currently pending in the application. In the Office Action, the Examiner has rejected Claims 1 and 3-7 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Bridges et al.* (U.S. 6,148,197) in view of *Blakeney, II et al.* (U.S. 6,085,085), Claims 2 and 9-10 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Bridges* in view of *Blakeney*, and further in view of *Huang et al.* (U.S. 6,363,251), and Claim 8 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Bridges* in view of *Blakeney*, and further in view of *Weiderman et al.* (U.S. 6,072,768).

It is noted that the present invention is directed to a method in which a mobile station proceeds with roaming services by utilizing *a system ID in a system parameter message* from a base station to the mobile station, *not* by utilizing a system ID included in a synchronous channel message, as is recited in the Examiner's cited art.

More specifically, as indicated above, the Examiner has rejected independent Claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Bridges* in view of *Blakeney*, and independent Claims 9 and 10 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Bridges* in view of *Blakeney*, and further in view of *Huang*.

With regard to Claim 1, the Examiner asserts that *Bridges* teaches receiving a system parameter message including a system ID from a base station by a mobile communication terminal in an idle state. More specifically, the Examiner cites column 8, lines 50-55, and column 9, lines 52-55 as teaching this recitation. However, it is respectfully submitted that there is no description of this feature of Claim 1 in either the cited sections or any other section of *Bridges*.

Specifically, column 8, lines 50-55 of *Bridges* reads as follows:

According to an aspect of the present invention, a Preferred System Identification List (PSL) (for cellular systems) and/or an Intelligent Roaming Database Downloading (IRDB) (for cellular, PCS and other wireless systems) is stored within a memory or storage device of the mobile station.

Further, column 9, lines 52-55 reads as follows:

That is, the PSL/IRDB may include the SID and/or SOC corresponding to the wireless carrier the mobile station should use for wireless communication in order to obtain the services required by the subscriber.

That is, column 8, lines 50-55 of *Bridges* merely recites that the mobile station stores a list or data base in a memory, and column 9, lines 52-55, merely recites that the list or data base in the memory of the mobile station includes an SID or SOC for the base stations included in the list or data base. It is respectfully submitted that these sections do not teach *receiving a system parameter message including a system ID from a base station by a mobile communication terminal in an idle state*, as is recited in Claim 1. Rather, in *Bridges*, the information received is preferred wireless carrier information for use by the mobile station when the mobile station is roaming outside of the home market area. Further, it is respectfully submitted that *Blakeney* does not cure this deficiency either. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the Examiner is incorrect in rejecting Claim 1, and it is respectfully requested that the rejection of Claim 1 be withdrawn.

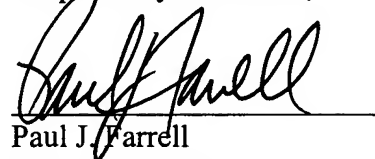
With regard to the rejection of Claims 9 and 10, the Examiner asserts that *Huang* teaches receiving a system parameter message including a system ID from a base station through a paging channel by the mobile communication terminal in an idle state. More specifically, the Examiner

cites column 6, lines 35-42 as teaching this recitation.

However, it is respectfully submitted that this section of *Huang* merely discloses that *a Service Redirection message may be sent to the mobile station MS over either the control channel, traffic channel, paging channel or through SMS (Short Message Service)*, and fails to disclose the base station transmits ***the system parameter message including the system ID***, as recited in Claims 9 and 10. In *Huang*, upon receiving the Service Redirection message, the mobile station merely scans and finds the specified preferred system (MSC-3), and then performs registration. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that *Bridges* in view of *Blakeney*, and further in view of *Huang* fail to disclose or teach the steps of receiving ***the system parameter message including the system ID*** and determining if the system ID is included in a pre-stored preferred roaming list, i.e., if the roaming service is available. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the rejection of Claims 9 and 10 be withdrawn.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner have any questions, it is respectfully requested that the undersigned attorney be contacted at the earliest convenience to discuss the present application. Early and favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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